

PORTSMOUTH NEWS

CITY COUNCIL MEETS

Various Matters of Greater or Lesser Importance Considered and Disposed Of.

TO ANTAGONIZE THE NEW FERRY CHARTER

Hon. Charles T. Bland Wires the Council That This Measure Comes Up in the House Thursday—The Sewer Contractors Ask For a Settlement—Water Street to Be Paved.

The City Council held an adjourned meeting last night, with the following members present: John H. Hume, president; D. W. Ballentine, vice-president; John J. King, J. Davis Reed, Samuel T. Montague, S. Minter, L. C. Brinson, J. White Ashton, Joseph F. Weaver, C. E. Murden.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas reported that after due consideration they thought it would be better to have the lamps on County street swung in the centre of the street. The report was received and the committee was instructed to have the work done.

The chairman of the Committee on Cemeteries reported the sale of several lots. The proper officers were instructed to sign the deeds.

The City Attorney submitted an act to be presented to the Legislature in reference to the term of office of Councilmen, etc. On motion, the clerk was instructed to forward the same to the Legislature and ask for its passage.

Present—C. E. Outen.

The same presented an act asking the Legislature to allow the Council to issue bonds for paving and sewerage, and to redeem the ferry bonds outstanding amounting to \$65,000, the same to bear the rate not to exceed 6 per cent. per annum.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to forward it at once.

Communication from Sheriff Smith, in reference to the lights at the jail burning in the day time, was read, in which he states that it shall not occur again.

Reports of city officers were read and were referred to the proper committees.

The Finance Committee recommended that the Fifth Ward be allowed to issue bonds to the amount of \$100,000 for the purpose of building schoolhouses, paving, grading, etc., in said ward. An act for that purpose was submitted. On motion, it was laid over on account of so many members being absent until the January meeting.

All properly approved bills were allowed.

The Auditor submitted the amount of back tax due from 1875 to 1893, inclusive, amounting to \$82,731.73. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. King moved that the Finance Committee be instructed to consider the best method of collecting the back tax.

The Street Committee asked that the Council order Water street on the west side from High to County street to be paved. The work was ordered to be done.

Mr. Ashton asked that the contract of the Water Company, Gas Company, and Ferry Company be included in the city ordinances, which are being printed.

Mr. Reed offered an amendment that the contracts be printed in pamphlet form, instead of in the ordinances. The amendment was adopted.

On motion, the Ordinance Committee was instructed to have as many of the pamphlets printed as they deem necessary.

Mr. Ashton gave notice that he would offer an amendment that all vehicles drawn or propelled through the streets at night be required to have lights on them.

The Street Committee was instructed to get Mr. Sykes to drive spokes showing where Crawford street will strike Wythe street when extended.

On motion, the City Surveyor was instructed to make a report to the Council of work done since last report.

On motion, the question of electing a City Surveyor who lives in the city was discussed and was referred to the Street Committee to investigate and report.

A telegram was received from Hon. Charles T. Bland, stating that the Emplumery Company's charter will come up in the House on Thursday next.

On motion, the Ferry Committee and City Attorney were instructed to proceed to Richmond and do what is necessary to defeat the charter and protect the city's interest.

Application of Grimes' Battery to be allowed the use of City Hall for a week in January, 1897, for the purpose of holding a fair, was referred to the Public Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Sanford, Brooks & Bonsol, asking for immediate payment of the balance due them on account of sewerage.

On motion, the City Attorney was instructed to notify them that the payment is held subject to the suits now pending.

On motion, adjourned.

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We have made a reduction in our Suits and Overcoats. Look at our window display. The largest stock in Portsmouth. Prices cannot be duplicated anywhere. M. ROSENBAUM, 116 and 118 High street.

Don't Miss the Dry Goods Bargains at Hummell's This Week. Sale Closes Saturday Night.

These prices are for cash only. Hummell's, 3201 High street.

A Well Known Fact.

This season has been very backward as regards the weather, etc., consequently December 1st finds us with a larger stock than we ought to have for this time of the year. We've decided to cut the prices of all our men's, boys' and children's suits; also overcoats, so that they will be within the reach of every purchaser. We've got the stock and they must be sold.

BRESLAUER & ANTHONY, 114 High street.

Facts.

For solid comfort get on the inside of one of our 10 Suits.

JOHN A. MORRIS, Mgr., 803 High street.

CLEANED IN THE STORM.

Items of Interest Gained Through the Hours of a Windy Day.

Mariah Daniels paid \$2.50 to the city for fighting.

There was but little done in the police circles yesterday.

Notwithstanding the storm all the boats came in on time.

W. W. Norman was arrested for grand larceny in case continued.

There was nothing of interest done in the Hustings Court yesterday.

A tramp who was arrested for drunkenness was ordered out of the city.

The navy-yard cars now run to the yard via Crawford street, instead of Court.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lee lost yesterday their infant son, Clarence Neville, aged 14 months.

The Board of Police Commissioners will make another attempt to meet Monday night.

A dealer in confectionaries in this city has on hand a ton of nuts, which he proposes to retail cheap.

The one which was to have been given last night at the Navy Yard, M. E. Church, was postponed until Thursday night.

Attention is called to the ad. of Levy & Jacobs, in which they announce that they must reduce their stock and offer special bargains.

Daniel Cullpepper, an inmate of the almshouse, was given thirty days board at the city hotel in default of a fine for drunkenness.

In another column an owner for a red huffer and yearling is advertised for. See advertisement, call as directed, pay charges and take them away.

The members of the South Street Baptist Church, after their regular services last night, passed resolutions thanking all who so generously aided them in helping to build their beautiful edifice.

Mr. M. Rosenbaum calls special attention to the reduction in his clothing, and overcoats, at his store, supplying the public with clothes at greatly reduced rates and claims that his stock is the largest in the city. See his windows.

The intention of the members of Grace Lodge, I. O. O. F., is called to an advertisement in another column requesting them to be present at the meeting of the Lodge Thursday night to receive Grand Master Hill Montague.

The committee on the new official capacity, Old Dominion and Tidewater Lodges are requested to attend.

A negro man attempted to cross the trestle work from Court to Crawford streets yesterday, slipped and fell in the creek, and hurt himself quite badly by striking on the end of one of the ties. This is private property and all persons are forbidden to trespass on it under a penalty. When they do so they have to take the consequences.

Navy-Yard Notes.

The navy-yard tug Wahneta, in charge of Mate Creighton, while towing the coal laden three-masted schooner Venus from the coal wharf to the Dolphin yesterday morning, was run too close to the Monongahela, lying moored to the stone wharf. The Monongahela's main yard fouled the main trestle rigging of the schooner, snapping the topmast off short at the mainmast cap.

In falling, the broken topmast struck the ship's gun, and the Monongahela and injured one of his hands quite seriously.

The court-martial, of which Capt. Terry, of the Franklin was president, and which was trying William Pfluger, seaman, for desertion, adjourned yesterday after concluding its labors. It is said that Pfluger pleaded guilty to the charge of desertion.

The Dolphin was taking coal all day yesterday from the schooner Venus. The painters will probably get to work on her as soon as the weather will permit. The Dolphin's prospective destination is the Gulf coast, where she is to make extensive hydrographic survey.

The Montgomery is awaiting favorable weather to receive her final coats of white paint.

A scarcity of seamen prevails on the ships at the navy-yard and in the North Atlantic squadron. The tender on the Franklin has been opened for the enlistment of seamen and the department is in hopes to enlist enough men of this class here to fill the vacancies. One or two coal passers are also wanted.

All out door work was suspended yesterday on account of the weather.

All the iron and steel for the new tug is here. Work on her will be commenced in a few days.

Came Near Freezing to Death.

Yesterday morning about 6 o'clock some paper boys saw a marine lying on Henry street near Third, in a stupor condition. While standing there thinking what to do Officer Thomas came along, and tried to get the man up, but found that he was helpless and nearly dead from exposure and cold. He secured a conveyance and carried him to the station-house. There he was put on a cot in front of the stove.

The owner of the stolen cow, arrived here this afternoon and identified it as his property.

The State Supreme Court.

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Meeting of the Board of Supervisors

The Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting yesterday with the following present: C. R. Nimmo (Chairman), E. M. Tilley, John A. Codd, W. S. Johnson, J. C. Lynch and George E. Wood.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Dr. V. C. Blidgood was unanimously elected physician to the almshouse.

The Elizabeth City and Norfolk Telegraph Company was, on its application, granted the privilege as far as the Board has the power so to do, to erect its poles along the county road from Deep Creek to the Silverster place under the supervision of the Supervisor of Deep Creek district, provided the said company shall properly repair its line through Western Branch district to make the same satisfactory to the Supervisor of the said last named district.

Resolution opposing any infringement by Legislature on ferry franchise, in motion of Mr. Codd, the sum of \$20 was appropriated for a Christmas dinner to the inmates of the almshouse.

The Chairman of the Board was authorized to sign the warrants for the salaries of officers for the month of December on the 24th day of December.

On motion, the insurance on school houses was discontinued and the Clerk was directed to arrange with the companies now carrying such insurance to discontinue the same, to cancel any warrant made out for that purpose and not yet drawn.

Marriage at the Court Street Baptist Church.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather there was a large attendance at the Court Street Baptist Church last night to witness the marriage of Mr. Harrison Lucas to Mrs. Louise P. Mahoney. At 9 p. m. the bride and groom entered the church and proceeded to the aisle, accompanied by the following: Messrs. G. M. Reynolds, Eugene Brinkley, Robert Noel, Robert Hutchins. The bride was attired in white and satin en train, and looked very handsome. The groom wore the conventional black. Dr. A. E. Owen, in his usual happy style, soon made them man and wife, after which they repaired to the residence of the bride, corner of Dinwiddie and Clifford streets, where a reception was held.

A Narrow Escape.

Mrs. Nelson, mother of Messrs. John and Edward Nelson, had a narrow escape from death on Monday. She started down the back steps, which lead out to the yard, at her home, on Washington street, and fell head foremost, striking her head and bruising herself quite badly about the body. A physician was called in and made her as comfortable as possible. She is suffering more from the shock than anything else now.

PETERSBURG NOTES.

A Son of Dr. Pleasant's Suicide—Badly Bitten by a Dog.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Mr. R. M. Pleasant, of Richmond, who by taking his suicide in that city last night by taking a dose of cyanide, was a son of Dr. J. M. Pleasant, Chief Deputy in the United States Internal Revenue office, in this city. The young man was widely known here and his death at his residence in Petersburg. His remains arrived here this afternoon.

The store-house of Mr. Pednean, at Jarrett's Station, on the Petersburg and Weldon railroad, was destroyed by fire this morning about 1 o'clock, with his stock of goods, insurance, \$8,000. Loss not known. J. S. Griggs' store, with stock, was also burned.

Mr. W. A. Flanagan, driver of the Southern Express Company's wagon in the left hand today, by a dog, which was being shipped through the office of the company here. The dog's teeth cut one of the arteries of the hand and the wound bled profusely. The injured man was attended by Dr. H. G. Leigh, Jr.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. J. J. Gardner and Miss Minnie Estelle Winbourn, at Park Place Church, Richmond, December 18th, at 7 o'clock p. m. The bride and groom is the agent of the Union News Company in this city. The bride-elect is the charming daughter of Mrs. R. A. Winbourn, of Richmond.

Cards have been issued for the marriage of Miss Loula, daughter of Mrs. Cornelia A. Berry, to Mr. Henry V. Nugent. The ceremony will take place at the residence of the bride, in this city, on Tuesday evening, December 17th, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. J. L. Smith, of Norfolk, was in the city to-day.

Mary Thomas and William Thomas, colored, were arrested here to-day on the charge of stealing a cow from a party at Brandon, Prince George county. The owner of the stolen cow arrived here this afternoon and identified it as his property.

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A FIFTY-NINTH SESSION

Of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, South,

IN CONVENTION AT ELIZABETH CITY.

Bishop A. W. Wilson, of Baltimore, Presides—An Exceedingly Large Attendance—List of Directory, Presiding Elders, Clerical and Lay Members and Visitors.

Elizabeth City, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The fifty-ninth session of the North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, will convene at that church here to-day, with Bishop A. W. Wilson, of Baltimore, in the chair. Only one session will be held each day.

The following is a list, etc. etc. etc. CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.

Bishop A. W. Wilson, D. D., at Dr. W. J. Lumsden.

PRESIDING ELDERS.

C. W. Black, at L. A. Winder; J. A. Cunningham, at F. M. Cook, Sr.; J. T. Gibbs, at E. F. Aydtell; R. B. John, at home; W. H. Moore, at Mrs. M. E. Fearing; G. A. Oglesby, at Mrs. M. E. Fearing; F. D. Swindell, at Dr. R. H. Swindell; E. A. Yenta, at Rev. J. Y. Old.

CLERICAL MEMBERS.

B. C. Alfred, at Mrs. C. Weeks; H. B. Anderson, at G. F. Derrickson; J. M. Ashby, at W. R. Jordan; I. W. Ament, at Charles Benbury.

J. B. Bailey, at John W. Sykes; J. C. Barker, at Wesley Williams; R. C. Beaman, at Dr. W. J. Lumsden; A. D. Betts, at Rev. E. F. Sawyer; F. A. Bishop, at Dr. O. McMullan; J. B. Bonbright, at M. E. Fearing; H. Bradley, at W. T. Davis; J. E. Brinkley, at C. C. Pappendick; R. H. Brown, at John A. Kramer; T. J. Browning, at W. S. White; M. Bradshaw, at F. M. Cook, Jr.; R. A. Bruton, at G. T. Liverman; R. E. Bumpass, at C. E. Kramer; J. D. Bunday, at Maurice Westcott.

C. W. Cain, at Mrs. M. A. Thompson; W. H. Call, at Henry Gregory; J. A. Castel, at home; D. N. Caviness, at T. Davis; L. M. Chadlin, at Evan Pritchard; J. C. Cole, at Rev. Dr. C. S. Blackwell; N. E. Coletrane, at Mrs. (S. C. Crawford; S. A. Cotton, at J. W. Whitehurst; W. F. Craven, at W. S. White; J. C. Crisp, at E. Armstrong; J. C. Crowson, at J. F. Mann; R. B. Culbreth, at Mrs. C. Weeks; W. L. Cunningham, at Professor William Hinton; T. D. Dalley, at N. S. Leary; E. Davis, with John A. Kramer; William S. Davis, at Mrs. M. Brooks; W. B. Doub, at D. S. Kramer; J. T. Draper, at Mrs. M. A. Thompson; C. O. DuRant, at T. R. Wilson.

D. L. Earnhardt, at J. B. Blades; W. E. Edmondson, at H. M. Fearing; L. S. Etheridge, at R. H. Commander; W. G. Everton, at James L. Hayman.

G. W. Fisher, at P. S. Ship; W. A. Forster, at W. H. Whitehurst; D. A. Frizzelle, at John W. Sykes; D. A. Futrell, at E. Armstrong.

C. H. Galloway, at Swain's Hotel; W. F. Galloway, at Charles H. Armstrong; T. J. Gattis, at Albemarle Hotel; J. G. Geddes, at P. L. Sanderson; J. A. Gibson, at Henry Gregory; H. M. Gillet, at T. M. Gard; E. C. Glenn, at R. O. Poyner; A. R. Goodchild, at Swain's Hotel; J. A. Green, at Albemarle Hotel; Philip Greening, at J. W. Sharber; W. L. Grisom, at Wesley Williams; J. O. Guthrie, at Dr. W. Mann; N. H. Guyton, at Swain's Hotel.

E. R. Hall, at Rev. J. H. Hall; J. H. Hall, at home; G. H. Harley, at W. R. Jordan; Z. T. Harrison, at Caleb Raper; P. L. Herman, at Wile N. Gregory; D. H. Hix, at W. T. Lowe; W. E. Hout, at Swain's Hotel; L. J. Holden, at N. R. Parker; R. B. Holder, Wiley N. Gregory; K. D. Holmes, at Mrs. M. Brooks; N. A. Hooker, at W. W. Morrisette; A. A. Hornaday, at John W. Sykes; J. H. Hunt, at E. F. Spencer; J. B. Hurley, at F. M. Cook, Jr.; T. N. Ivey, at Rev. Dr. C. S. Blackwell.

J. M. Jackson, at Henry Raper; J. W. Jenkins, at Albemarle Hotel; W. A. Johnson, at Charles H. Armstrong; C. P. Jerome, at John A. Kramer; C. Johnson, at Clay Foreman; J. C. Jones, at Jonathan Breckett; L. H. Joyner, at Nathan Walker; N. M. Jurney, at R. J. Mitchell.

C. J. Kido, at Dr. O. McMullan; Edward Kelley, at E. L. Mann; G. D. Langston, at W. W. Mann; J. A. Lee, at B. P. Spencer; S. Leffers, at James L. Hayman; L. Leitch, at J. L. Etheridge; T. C. Lovin, at Joe Commander; J. M. Lowder, at Henry Gregory; J. T. Lyon, at Mrs. M. A. Thompson.

J. B. Martin, at Charles Benbury; J. W. Martin, at W. H. Morris; L. S. Massey, at Clay Foreman; A. McCullen, at Mrs. S. White; J. C. McCall, at Mrs. S. White; J. C. McCall, at John L. Sawyer; F. B. McFarland, at Albemarle Hotel; W. C. McFarland, at W. J. Woodley; W. B. Moore, at James Perry; R. J. Moorman, at R. J. Mitchell; S. T. Moyle, at T. L. Sanderson.

C. Norman, at J. B. Flora; A. L. Ormond, at J. B. Blades; J. H. Page, at Dr. W. J. Lumsden; J. P. Pate, at D. A. Mann; A. J. Parker, at Henry Raper; J. D. Pegrum, at R. A. Penderick; M. T. Plyer, at C. C. Pappendick; M. T. Plyer, at R. H. Commander; S. Pool, Judge C. C. Pool; E. Pope, at Wesley Williams; J. J. Porter, at Alex R. Mann; W. H. Puckett, at M. R. Cullpepper.

R. H. Raven, at E. F. Lamb; T. B. Reeks, at W. W. Morrisette; J. B. Reid, at E. L. Mann; J. M. Rhodes, at Mrs. E. C. Thompson; T. P. Rhoads, at F. F. Lamb; J. N. Rice, at T. M. Gard; E. W. Robinson, at N. Underwood; E. Rose, at Mrs. E. C. Thompson; W. W. Rose, at J. F. Mann; J. A. Rouse,

at Nathan Walker; J. A. Rumley, at Rev. P. W. Melick; Oliver Ryder, at Mrs. M. Hill.

John R. Sawyer, at James Perry; J. Sanford, at R. F. Spencer; E. C. Sell, at Mrs. M. Hill; P. M. Shamburger, at R. F. Spencer; G. T. Simmons, at H. M. Fearing; H. L. Sherry, at Mrs. S. White; C. W. Smith, at H. W. Heath; G. F. Smith, at Mrs. M. E. Fearing; C. P. Snow, at G. T. Liverman; G. W. Stirling, at Mrs. M. Hill; T. H. Sutton, at N. S. Leary.

R. F. Taylor, at Nathan Walker; C. T. Taylor, at M. N. Sawyer; M. C. Thomas, at J. W. Sharber; John E. Thompson, at J. B. Flora; J. H. Thompson, at N. S. Leary; L. E. Thompson, at Mrs. Sarah T. Crawford; R. A. Thorne, at P. S. Ship; R. W. Townsend, at W. T. Lowe; H. E. Tripp, at Swain's Hotel; R. P. Troy, at C. E. Kramer; D. H. Tuttle, at R. O. Poyner; M. H. Tuttle, at R. J. Mitchell; W. J. Twilley, at W. J. Griffin.

J. E. Underwood, at E. F. Lamb; W. W. Wallis, at Dr. W. Mann; R. L. Warlick, at T. M. Walker; D. A. Watson, at J. L. Etheridge; N. M. Watson, at R. J. Mitchell; W. H. Whitaker, at J. S. Rogers; R. A. Willis, at D. S. Kramer; N. H. D. Wilson, at Rev. L. L. Williams; R. T. Wyche, at Hughes.

LAY DELEGATES.

Dr. A. Anderson, at Dr. O. McMullan; D. A. Aman, at H. M. Fearing; J. B. Brinkley, at W. T. Davis; George L. Buchanan, at Claude P. Foreman; P. M. Briggs, at H. M. Fearing; George S. Baker, at A. T. Davis; Rev. Led Branson, at H. M. Fearing; R. H. Berry, at P. S. Ship; Judge Walter Clark, at Dr. W. J. Lumsden; B. G. Credle, at Mrs. H. B. Anderson; J. W. Cramer, at J. W. Sharber; E. S. Dall, at P. S. Ship; J. W. Granger, at R. O. Poyner; J. A. Green, at W. W. Morrisette; H. H. Grant, at M. E. Fearing; T. H. Gatlin, at Albemarle Hotel; W. H. Harker, at John A. Kramer; E. W. Hyman, at A. S. Neal; J. A. Isely, at R. F. Spencer; T. J. Jarvis, at Albemarle Hotel; L. W. McMullan, at Dr. O. McMullan; J. D. Mann, at Thos. Anderson; D. E. McKinney, at Mrs. Callie Wood; K. K. Nimbels, at J. R. Blades; Rev. J. H. P. S. Ship; J. W. Pallen, at Maurice Westcott; R. D. Phillips, at Mrs. M. Brooks; L. G. Roper, at Rev. J. Y. Old; Rev. P. N. Stainback, at Joe Commander; L. L. Smith, at E. F. Weeks; C. R. Townsend, at J. R. Blades; H. C. Wall, at D. S. Kramer; K. H. Worthy, at John W. Sykes.

APPLICANTS FOR ADMISSION.

Jesse L. Cunningham, R. L. Davis; H. A. Hum